UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

ERIC SOUVANNAKANE,
Plaintiff

v.

SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., WILLIAM SULLIVAN, RICHARD SPELLMAN, BARBARA TAGLIARINO, KEVIN SULLIVAN, ALICIA COVIELLO, GARY MANSFIELD Defendants Civil Action No. 0412164MLW

LOCAL RULE 16.1(D)(3) CERTIFICATE OF DEFENDANT, SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.

Pursuant to Local Rule 16.1(D)(3), the undersigned hereby certify that the defendant, Sears, Roebuck and Co., and its counsel have conferred: (i) with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course – and various alternative courses – of the litigation; and (ii) to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution.

Defendant, Sears, Roebuck and Co. By its authorized representative

BY: /s/ Malory Burns_

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